(c) and (d) The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has informed that on the basis of preliminary investigation, explanations of two executive Engineers, three Assistant Engineers and two Junior Engineers have been called for.

(e) to (g) DDA has further informed that for immediate replacement/retrofitting of dangerous RCC members, a consultant has been appointed. Based on the report of the consultant, tenders initially invited on 30.7.2007 were rejected by the Works Advisory Board. Tenders have now been re-invited.

Filling of vacancies of EEs in CPWD

2319. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that about 150 vacancies in the grade of Executive Engineers (Civil and Electrical) are lying vacant in CPWD since long time;

(b) if so, the reasons for not filling the above-said vacancies; and

(c) the steps Government proposes to take to fill the above-said vacancies immediately in view of Commonwealth Games 2010?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. These vancancies remained vacant on account of pending litigation in the Delhi High Court. Now that the Hon'ble High Court vide its interim order dated 27.9.2007 has allowed to fill up these vacancies on ad-hoc basis, the Department have decided to fill up these posts.

Problems faced by residents of Janakpuri

2320. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB PEEVEE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has recently received representations from some Members of Parliament regarding the problems faced by the residents of B-2B Block, Janakpuri, New Delhi; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The representation received through some Members of Parliament was initially forwarded to Delhi Development Authroity (DDA) for necessary action. However, it was informed that the area in question has been transferred to Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) in 1981. Therefore, a copy of the representation has been referred to MCD for taking necessary action.

Conversion of flats to free hold by DDA

2321. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government have recently decided to convert the lease hold flats of all types of DDA flats into free hold after depositing conversion charges which were purchased on General Power of Attorney irrespective of any cut-off date and even purchased on hire-purchase basis;